

SOUTH WEST VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the AGM held on the 25th of June 1988 at 10.30 am at Hutton More Leisure Centre Weston super Mare.

1. There were present

Mr B Jones	Chairman
Mr R Richards	Secretary
Mr G Giddy	Competitions Secretary
Mr D Williams	Executive Officer
Mr G Harrison	Junior Squads
Mr G Allen	Poole
Mr L Davies	Woodspring

2. Minutes. The minutes of the 1987 AGM were agreed as a true record.

3. Matters Arising - there were none

4. Apologies - were received from.

Mr D Dingle.	Mr S Cross
Mr R Dunn	Mr C Perry
Mrs W Martin	Miss S Stone
Mrs S Bakers	Mr D Williams
Mr J Spear	Mr B Swann

5. Officers reports

(a) Chairman - accepted as printed in the annual report.

(b) Treasurer - a separate report was distributed at the meeting and discussion took place on the financial affairs of the association and some questions were raised as to why the association had spent £2700 pounds more than in the previous financial year. Why had the Assn spent, £924 on the SW League - did it include promotional money and trophies etc. Mr Perry had expressed his wish not to be considered for the position of treasurer and the meeting gave a vote of thanks for all the work he had put in while he had held that position.

(c) Secretary - accepted as in the annual report.

(d) Coaching - Mrs Martins report was accepted and Mr Richards added comments on the SW Development Centres

(e) Junior Squads - Mrs Harrisons report was accepted  
Concern was expressed at the financial problem of the squads and a long discussion took place as to how the EVA could best grant aid for the squads. It was agreed that Mr Richards should write to Mr Joy expressing his concern at the cost of the weekend and also at the cost of training for a geographically spread region.  
It was agreed that a larger grant was required but it was also suggested that the association must find whatever free facilities it possibly could for the training of the squad.  
It was agreed that a written policy and full budget would be prepared for the SW Junior squads by the September Executive meeting.

(f) Officials a verbal report was produced by Mr Jones who spoke of the perennial problem of the shortage of referees in particular for National League matches. Congratulations were offered to Paul Pinhorne in his promotion to Grade 1 and John Stevens on his promotion to Grade 2.

(g) Competitions. Mr Giddy expressed concern that the fixtures had not been completed and that one Ladies team had folded but was generally pleased with the administration of the league as were the other members present.

Mr Giddys survey of the ladies teams as to whether the league should have three or five set ladies matches was inconclusive and thus it will remain at best of three sets.

9) South West Championships

a) Post Mortem The notes from the organising committee post mortem meeting were discussed.

The meeting passed its congratulations to the Woodspring association for the excellent way in which the competition had been organised during the season.

Mr Richards to invite other areas to bid for the 1989 championships and it was hoped that a bid would be forthcoming from Woodspring.

Mr Richards to check dates with Mr Hyde of Girobank and EVA.

b) Other championships Mr Allen expressed his concern over the cancellation of Junior championships.

Mr Richards apologised that the championships had been cancelled when Mr Allen felt that they would have been viable but he expressed a feeling that there was nobody in a position of Junior Development officer to chase up entries and to make the competition a success.

Mr Richards reminded the meeting that 1989 would be the 20th birthday of the founding of the South West Association and that consideration should be given as to what form of celebration could be held.

10. British Championships discussion took place on the organisation of the Championships at the Spring Bank holiday.

Members present felt strongly that a meeting of the full organising committee is required close to the event to check on any areas that had not been covered and that this year the lack of such a meeting led to certain problems

It was agreed to host the mens event in 1989 but there was also strong feeling that South West region had not been considered for some of the better standard tournaments which they would wish to run.

11 a) Development Centre Wiltshire wish to run a Development Centre Course on September 25th. Mr Richards to contact Mr Swann concerning the provision of a coach.

Discussion took place on the development centre courses that had been established in 1988. It was agreed that the courses should be single sex or that two half day courses be offered on the same day one for men one for ladies or on alternate days, i.e. the men on Saturday Ladies on Sunday. It was felt that it was useful for the coach to have a local coach as their assistant on the course.

Mr Allen felt that the juniors should have a wider range of courses available on a more local basis.

b) Ladies Development. Mr Richards outlined the provision that Sports Council had made for the development of Ladies Volleyball in Devon, as a private scheme with the South West Association. It was agreed that £60 be allocated to the funding of a Summer League in North Devon and that the allocation of the remaining amount of the £450 of grant aid should be left with Mr Richards for him to discuss at the meeting to be held with interested parties in Devon.

12. Development Plans Mr Richards handed to the meeting copies of the North West Volleyball Association development plan, and informed the meeting that Mr Millard of the South West Sports council had asked for a similar plan to be drawn in the South West region.

The problems of doing this were discussed but it was agreed to ask areas to discuss their own development plans, and that the September Executive meeting should have a full session devoted to this item. Mr Francis agreed to send Mr Richards copy of the Wiltshire Development plan and gave permission for it to be distributed to other areas to aid the discussion

13. Date of next meeting. It was agreed to hold the next Executive meeting on Saturday September 17th at Bath Sports Centre and that there should be a meeting in the morning from 10.30 with area representatives to discuss development plans and an Executive meeting in the afternoon at 2pm.

The 1988/89 leagues had 28 entries - 8 teams have been lost but 6 had been gained while 4 teams were promoted to International League.

Mr Richards read letters of thanks from Cardiff Volts and Havant Pumas ladies following their participation in South West League.

6. Area Reports were received with thanks from the following regions.

- a) Cornwall, b) Woodspring c) Wiltshire, d) Poole. e) Gloucestershire  
f) North Devon.

Concern was expressed that no report had been received from Avon, Weymouth, or Plymouth and also that there was no formal association in Somerset. It was agreed that the association should consider the position of Somerset in its development plans and that discussion be held with the Woodspring association as to its position vis-a-vis the Avon Association - concern was expressed at the lack of communication with the Avon Association and the fact that it did not register with the EVA.

A vote of thanks was passed for all of the reports and in particular to Mrs Martin, Mr Perry and Mr Jones who are standing down from their positions as coaching secretary, treasurer and officials secretary.

7. Election of Officers

The following officers were elected to serve on the SW Executive committee for 1988/89.

Chairman	Mr B Jones	proposed Mr Alan seconded Mrs Martin
Vice-chairman	Mrs Harrison	proposed Mr Allen seconded Mr Richards.
Secretary	Mr Richards	proposed Mr Jones seconded Mr Giddy.
Treasurer		position to be filled.
Officials	Mr Le Breuilly	proposed Mr Richards seconded Mrs Harrison.
Coaching	Mr Swann	proposed Mr Richards seconded Mr Giddy.
Junior Development		to be filled.
Junior Squads	Mrs Harrison	proposed Mr Francis seconded Mr Giddy.
Competitions Secretary	Mr Giddy.	proposed Mrs Harrison seconded Mr Jones.

8. Executive Committee members. it was agreed to appoint the following as Executive members.

Mr B Williams, Miss S Stone, Mr D Williams. Mr P Francis  
Mrs W Martin.

It was agreed that the item job descriptions should be added to the next agenda and that moves should be made to have each officer prepare a job description for their area of responsibility.

It was further agreed that Mr D Williams should represent the region at the EVA regional representatives committee and that whoever is available should be nominated to go to the South West Governing body meeting.

The 1988/89 financial year - 8 months have been lost but 6 full year periods - 11 1/2 years were granted to International League.

Mr Richards read letters of thanks from Captain Voller and Howard Paine ladies following their participation in South West League.

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Vice-Chairman	Mrs Harrison	proposed Mr A W Jones seconded Mr Richards
Secretary	Mr Richards	proposed Mr Jones seconded Mr C Day
Treasurer	position to be filled	
Officials	Mr La Brea	proposed Mr Richards seconded Mrs Harrison
Coaching	Mr Swann	proposed Mr Richards seconded Mr C Day
Junior Development	position to be filled	
Junior Sports	Mrs Harrison	proposed Mr Richards seconded Mr C Day
Competition Secretary	Mr C Day	proposed Mrs Harrison seconded Mr Jones

8. Executive Committee members - It was agreed to appoint the following as Executive members:

Mr G Williams, Miss S Stone, Mr D Williams, Mr F Francis, Mrs W Martin.

It was agreed that the job description should be agreed for the next edition and that there should be two officers to share a job description for their area of responsibility.

It was further agreed that Mr G Williams should represent the region at the Executive representatives committee and that whoever is available should be nominated to go to the South West governing body meeting.